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RE: IDS Telcom (Docket No. 00-01102)

Dear Mr. Steinhart:

On December 13, 2000, the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (TRA) received IDS' application for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to provide Competing Local Exchange and Interexchange Telecommunications services in Tennessee.

On December 29, 2000, the TRA's Consumer Services Division sent IDS a letter requesting correction of deficiencies in the Letter of Credit. Two additional items require correction and/or clarification before the Authority can consider IDS' Application.

Educational Discounts

Page 15 of the Application states that IDS will provide educational discounts in existence as of June 6, 1996. T.C.A. §65-4-124 (c) states that "These rules shall also ensure that all telecommunications services providers...provide educational discounts existing on June 6, 1995." This is probably a typographical error, but it needs correction.

IntraLATA Presubscription Implementation Plan

Page 24 of the Application describes IDS' IntraLATA Presubscription Implementation Plan. This section outlines the intraLATA Toll Carrier selection process for customers who contact IDS requesting new telephone exchange service. It states that customers who do not make a positive choice of intraLATA toll carrier will be identified as "no-PIC" and be required to dial 101XXXX to place intraLATA toll calls until they choose an intraLATA toll carrier. It is logical to assume that IDS will obtain many of its initial customers from an Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (e.g., BellSouth). Most of these customers will have already selected an intraLATA toll carrier. This section of the Application should state that IDS would allow these customers to retain the intraLATA toll carrier that they have selected under their previous local exchange carrier.

Please submit the requested information by January 18, 2001. If you have any questions, you may contact Arnold Reed at (615) 741-2904 (ext. 207).

Sincerely,

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Executive Secretary

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